

Required Construction Inspections

New Construction, Additions and Alterations



The following inspections are required to be performed by the Building Code Department throughout the construction process. Work shall not proceed to the next step until these required inspections have been completed. To schedule an inspection, call the Building Code Department at (814) 723-6300. Please give the property address, date and the approximate time the inspection will be required. A 24-hour notice is requested when scheduling an inspection. If you are unsure whether an inspection is required, contact the Building Code Department. A Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued unless all required inspections have been completed.

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG ... IT'S THE LAW!

Call PA One Call at (800) 242-1776 three business days in advance of any digging to have underground utilities located. By calling PA One Call, all member facility owners in your work site will be notified of your plans and will mark their lines in the vicinity.

FOOTING INSPECTION

☑ Before concrete is poured and required reinforcing in place.

FOUNDATION INSPECTION

- ☑ Before framing work or backfilling.
- ☑ Cleanouts, foundation and building drains must be in place.
- ☑ Damp proofing and/or waterproofing coating must be applied.
- All underground plumbing, mechanical and electrical trenching must remain open and all piping, sleeves and/or conduit required for underground utilities shall be in place and provided with rodent proofing.

FRAMING INSPECTION

- ☑ Before insulation is installed and after all rough-in work is complete on plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems.
- oxdim Fire and draft stopping is in place.
- ✓ Water-resistant barrier installed behind exterior veneer.

ROOF INSPECTION

☑ Before roofing and after ice and water shield has been installed.

PLUMBING INSPECTION

- ☑ Rough in and final.
- ☑ Underground plumbing to be inspected before covering.
- Above ground plumbing to be inspected before insulation and/or drywall are applied.

MECHANICAL INSPECTION

- ☑ Rough-in and final.
- ☑ Joints and seams before covering.

ELECTRICAL INSPECTION

- ☑ Rough-in and final.
- ☑ A service upgrades also requires an inspection and it must also be coordinated with the local power company.
- ☑ Hard-wired smoke detectors where required in sleeping areas and each level of building.

INSULATION (ENERGY) INSPECTION

After all insulation, vapor retarders, caulking and sealants have been installed and before any wall/ceiling interior coverings (wallboard) have been installed.

WALLBOARD INSPECTION

After all wall/ceiling gypsum board has been installed and before any taping or finishing

FIREPLACE. STOVE OR CHIMNEY INSPECTION

- ☑ Chimneys, flues, stacks and B-vents installed per manufacturers specifications.
- ☑ Masonry to be inspected before first flue.
- ☑ Inserts to be inspected before clearances are blocked or hidden.

OTHER INSPECTIONS

In addition to the inspections specified in this handout, the Building Code official may require other inspections of any construction work to ascertain compliance with the provisions of the Code.

OCCUPANCY/FINAL INSPECTION

After all items pertaining to the issued building permit have been completed and prior to occupancy of any portion of the structure. The structure must be move in ready and it may not be occupied until a Certificate of Occupancy is issued.

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